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**Special Master in Chancery's Sale.**

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss. In the Circuit Court of Madison County, in Chancery. Cause No. 1234. Between J. R. RACE & CO., Plaintiff, and J. R. RACE & CO., Defendant. Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree entered at the September Term, A. D. 1886, by the said court, in the above entitled cause, I, J. R. RACE & CO., Special Master in Chancery of said county, will at the hour of 10 o'clock in the afternoon on

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It is often the beginning of serious affections of the Throat, Bronchial Tubes, and Lungs. Therefore, the importance of early and effective treatment cannot be overestimated. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral may always be relied upon for the speedy cure of a Cold or Cough.

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I am satisfied that this remedy saved my life. — Jno. Webster, Pawtucket, R. I. I contracted a severe cold, which suddenly developed into Pneumonia, presenting dangerous and distressing symptoms. My physician at once ordered the use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. His instructions were followed, and the result was a rapid and permanent cure. — H. E. Simpson, Rogers Prairie, Texas.

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for Colds, Coughs, and All Throat and Lung diseases, ever used in my family. — Robert Vanderpool, Meadville, Pa. Some time ago I took a slight cold, which, being neglected, grew worse, and settled on my lungs. I had a hacking cough, and was very weak. Those who knew me best considered my life to be in great danger. I continued to suffer until I commenced using Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Less than one bottle of this valuable medicine cured me, and I feel that I owe the preservation of my life to its curative powers. — Mrs. Ann Lockwood, Akron, New York.

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And Agent Smith's Opera House, may be found on inquiry at the REPUBLICAN'S Printing Room.

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**MOOSE HUNTING.**

ONE MAN DOES THE WORK WHILE THE OTHER SEES THE FUN.

Pleasures of Hunting by Jack Light. How the Moose, Feeding by Night, Becomes the Prey of the Hunter. After the Shot.

The moose seeks his food where the yellow water lily is found. It is not, however, the leaves nor the blossoms which are sought, but the roots. These extend in a perfect network through the mud in which they grow, attaining a thickness exceeding a man's arm and an indefinite length. There is no disputing about tastes, and consequently we will not criticize the moose for being so fond of this vegetable. Due to the human palate it is dry, insipid and pockery. To obtain this he will wade out into the water and submerge his head beneath the surface until even his ears are submerged. Then having wrenched a chunk of greater or less length from its bed, he withdraws his head, and, dripping water from each of the numerous angles which characterize his highly physiognomy, he stands the picture of pure enjoyment, chewing away at one end of the root, while the other sticks out of his mouth like a cigar. To catch him in the middle of this performance is the constant burden of the hunter's prayers.

Should the night promise to be still, warm and dark, the hunter scours the reflector of his jack until it shines like silver, and breathes upon and wipes the glass lens until it is spotless. The lamp within should emit a powerful light, but the casing must be so constructed that not the faintest glimmer can escape until its aid is required, and a hinged cover, which caps the glass, is dropped.

In this, as in most other forms of moose hunting, two form the company—one to do the shooting, and the other to hold the lantern, and as in many other things in this life, ultimate success depends more on the skill of the former than on that of the latter.

After the jack has been lit some twenty minutes, so that the maximum of light possible without smoke is assured, the pair betake themselves to the canoe. Blankets are spread on the bottom of the boat to deaden any motion of the feet. He who is to shoot sits himself in the bow, while his companion first wraps him in blankets, and then arranges the jack. This is best suspended from a frame behind the rifleman; but it should be so connected with his head that the beam of light will follow its every motion when the jack is moved. With the glass uncovered, the rifle is thrown to the shoulder, and the connection of the jack with the headgear is so adjusted that when the most convenient aim is taken it will be directly in the center of illumination. Thus both sights of the rifle are perfectly visible, and the difficulty is no longer to shoot with accuracy, but only to obtain a sufficiently distinct view of the object to be hit.

When this is complete the other takes his place in the stern, folds his blanket over his lap, and, grasping his paddle, pushes from the bank. The jack is then closed, and complete darkness and silence follow.

As noiseless as the shadow of a cloud, the canoe steals along, and hour after hour its occupants, relying solely on the sense of hearing, strain every nerve to detect an indication of the near neighborhood of the game they seek.

At last comes a slow and measured sound—slosh, slosh, slosh, and then all is still again. The heart of the hunter shrivels within him to the size of a lemon, and flies into his throat, where it keeps up such a thumping that it seems impossible that the noise should escape the quick ear of the game. With the utmost caution the rifle is brought to the full cock, and the left hand freed, ready to open the jack at the preconcerted signal, which it is the duty of the paddler to give.

Every nerve and pain is at once forgotten in the all absorbing question: Will the moose in the water or take to the land, and, lunging himself in the woods, escape? For he is still far beyond the range of the jack, and not till it will surely show him up must it be opened. If the motion of the canoe was slow before, it seems doubly so now, and minute after minute, each apparently an hour, drags on, and still the noise, repeated at intervals, seems no nearer.

At length, after a seemingly endless delay, comes the signal to open the jack, and the light streams forth. There he stands, the moose, in the water, dim, shadowy and monstrous, his eyes glaring green in the light, with the malevolence of a demon. He will stay but for a second, and only decide which way to retreat. Raise the rifle slowly, and lose no time. Draw as careful a bead as though shooting at a two inch bull's eye, and give it to him right through—not behind—the middle of the shoulder. For a second the smoke obscures the result. Is he down? In either case, does him again if you can; but if you cannot, close the jack at once. Now is no time to ask your companion: Do you drink it hot? If you were silent before, be doubly so now, and listen. Does he burst into and tear through the woods as though he had gone mad? The killing wood business was laying in a wester's stock, and do you hear him crashing and smashing until the sound dies away on the distant mountain side? It was a clear miss, or at best a silence you can almost feel enter. What sound is that from the neighboring woods? There he is! You can hear him breathe and wheeze at every inspiration. It is well. The shot was a little too far back, but it was pretty well placed all the same. Now withdraw with the stiffness of a post, and, as he is in, let him feel half a mile intervenes whisper to your companion: "Well, I guess that's our meat, what do you think?"

For if from any act of yours he discovers what has happened, particularly if you attempt to land, he will either attack at once, in which case you will be in desperate peril, or he will travel till he drops, perhaps miles and miles away, and the foxes and other marauders of the forest alone will profit by his death. Whereas if you leave him to attribute his distress to a stroke of lightning or a fit of indigestion, or to any cause other than the eye of man, you will find him in the morning, if not dying, heavily so encumbered that you may still hunt him with the certainty of success. — Henry P. Wells in Harper's Magazine.

**Photographs of Surgical Operations.**

Dr. Gerster, brother of the celebrated prima donna, is making a collection of instantaneous photographs of different surgical operations for the benefit of students. Each photograph is taken under his personal direction, and is intended to show them the best method of the execution of the patient, arranging the auxiliaries, and holding the instruments.

**Brace Up.**

You are feeling depressed, your appetite is poor, you are bothered with Headache, you are fidgety, nervous, and generally out of sorts, and want to brace up. Brace up, but not with stimulants, spring medicines or bitters, which have for their basis very cheap, bad whisky, and which stimulate you for an hour, and then leave you in worse condition than before. What you want is an alternative that will purify your blood, start healthy action of liver and kidneys, restore your vitality, and give renewed health and strength. Such a medicine you will find in Electric Bitters, and only 50 cents a bottle at John A. Swearingen's Drug Store. A3

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We have placed on stock 300 Pairs of BOYS' KNEE PANTS, at a Great Bargain.

The above Pants were made from remnants of fine Cassimeres, worth from \$2.00 to \$3.50 per yard in the Piece.

Our Prices Range from \$1.00 TO \$1.65,

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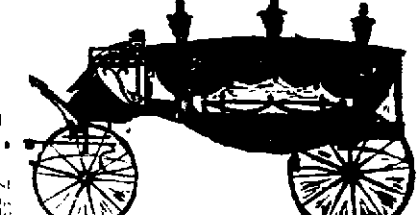
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**Farm Lands for Sale!**

I offer at private sale the following lands, viz: The north half of section twenty-one, and the east half of the same, in the county of Madison, Illinois, in the town of Todd's Point, Shelby county. Eighty acres of the above is good timber land, and the balance good farming land, about 20 acres in cultivation, and 200 acres in meadow and pasture. The land is well watered and can be easily drained by tilling. It is fine rolling prairie, all under fair fence, with cross fences, and has a comfortable farm house and buildings and a good barn. This land can be divided into three good farms and if desired will be so divided. Terms of sale: One-third of the purchase money in cash, and the remainder in payments of \$1000 each, for three years, with interest at 6 per cent. Commencement can be addressed to Thomas Fleming, Todd's Point, Shelby county, Illinois; or it can be found at that place by parties desiring to examine the land. J. H. FLEMING.

**DR. A. S. WALTERS,** DENTIST.

Office over Barber & Baker's shoe store, 123 East Main Street, Decatur, Ill.

**B. I. STERRETT,** ATTORNEY AT LAW.

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Telephone us or call and get the CORRECT time.

OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.  
TELEPHONE NO. 175.

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J. J. CHADDICK, Manager.

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FRIDAY EVE., FEB. 18, 1887.

LOCAL NEWS.

For presents look through the mammoth assortment at

E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.

The supervisors are in town.

This is written examination day in the public schools.

MARSH's big school house is to be enlarged during the summer.

Last night E. B. Pratt shipped another fine lot of horses to the east.

The Eclipse Minstrel party left for Monrovia this forenoon where they will give a burnt cork entertainment to-night.

Buy a ticket for the Goodman Band ball Tuesday night. Fine music and a good time for all.

GEORGE MARTIN is now editor of the National Democrat at Peoria.

Early vegetables, California fruits and fresh eggs at Hanks & Patterson's family grocery store.

Ask your grocer for Hatfield & Co's famous White Loaf flour. None better.

This choice Vienna bread, buns and rolls may be had at J. Lytle & Co's grocery store.

This forenoon Justin McCarthy and his agent, Charles Whitridge, of Boston, left for Greenwald, by way of Peoria. They were guests at the St. Nicholas while in the city. Many citizens called at the hotel after the lecture to pay their respects to the champion of home rule for Ireland.

Send orders to Niedermeyer's cash grocery store for Decatur coal.

COUNTRY SHOPPER EVANS has commenced the publication of a neat and valuable periodical, the *Macon County School Journal*, the first number of which has reached us. It is a four-column quarto, devoted to the special interests of the schools. Much valuable information is given. It is carefully edited and ought to secure hundreds of subscribers. Price, 50 cents a year.

TAKE our advice and trade with Knudsen & Osborn, the new grocers on Water street. Their stock is fresh and nice.

This new play, "A Heroine in Rags," will be the attraction Wednesday evening next.

A LARGE party attended the Social Club anniversary ball given last night at Guards' Armory. Masks were removed at 10 o'clock.

The police were out scouting on West Decatur street last night, looking for "pickles." They made a raid, and arrested Ben Bristow and Mary Bannister for disorderly conduct. Mary had to go to jail, but Ben got a friend to go his security.

TELEPHONE your grocer for White Loaf and Daily Bread flour, made by Shellabarger & Co.

The country members of the board of supervisors in the city this forenoon to attend the special meeting of the board this afternoon do not openly declare what ought to be done by the county to secure the state fair. They believe that extra efforts should be made to secure the fair, but they are at sea as to what course should be pursued.

NURSE's butter can be had at A. J. Smith & Son's grocery store, 753 North Water street.

MISS MARGIE KEARNEY has removed to No. 222 South Main street, 31. houses from Embold's meat market. Advertisers.

THEATRICAL people are studying up the Inter-State Commerce bill to see if there are any loop-holes through which they can get out of paying full rates on railroads.

The place to get Vienna bread and fresh buns is at J. Lytle & Co's handy grocery store.

FRANCIS MURPHY has met with hard luck in Chicago. The *Journal* says: "When Mr. Murphy, the temperance apostle, came here over a week ago he had \$80 in his pocket, but meeting many needy people in his walks, he has managed to get rid of it, and at last Monday's prayer-meeting some thief stole his overcoat. The incident was related by Rev. Charles M. Morton at Farwell Hall, and it drew out a practical response from those present. Mr. Murphy must not be allowed to catch cold in the middle of his noble work."

The Social Club will give a grand masquerade ball at the Guards' Armory on Thursday, February 17. Everybody invited, but no improper characters admitted.

FRESH Oysters at J. M. Huff's restaurant, just north of Millikin's bank.

For the Genuine Sugar Loaf Lelich Hard Coal, call on Caldwell, the live coal and wood dealer. feb27-dit

The new Smoak House with 20 rooms is at 914 East Eldorado street. New beds, new furniture—everything new. Transients, \$1.00 a day; week boarders, \$4.00; day boarders, \$3.50. Henry Smoak in charge. 25dlmo

Pay Your Taxes.

The taxes for 1886 are now due, and as the time for collection is short, it is necessary that taxpayers should come forward without delay. Office with Mills Bros., over Linn & Scruggs' store. Office hours, from 8 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. feb1-d2m H. MAHANNAH, Collector.

OYSTERS and meals at J. M. Huff's, just three doors north of Millikin's bank.

THE APPELLATE COURT AT SPRINGFIELD

Thursday a decision was reached in the appeal case of Macon County vs. Highway Commissioners D. A. Maffit, C. M. Caldwell and T. L. Antrim. The decision of the circuit court requiring the county to pay half of the expense of the construction of the Wilcox bridge was affirmed. The county's share is \$3,312.50. Commissioners Maffit and Caldwell are in high feather over this decision which is a full vindication of their interpretation of the law, and it is just and right. The case has been heard twice in the circuit court and has been taken to the appellate court on two occasions, the commissioners winning each time.

The New Commander.

W. W. Shockey and J. H. Miller got home this forenoon from the Illinois department G. A. R. encampment at Rock Island. Major A. C. Sweetser, of Bloomington, formerly deputy internal revenue collector and a one-legged veteran, was elected Commander for the ensuing year. The 1888 encampment will be held at Springfield. The remainder of the Decatur delegation got home on a belated train to-day.

Mrs. George R. Steele was elected Senior Vice-President of the Woman's Relief Corps.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. H. B. Cole is convalescent.

Berry Ennis is on his way to his cattle ranch in New Mexico.

W. R. Whitman, of Macon, has returned from a ten days' trip to southern Missouri.

Arl. McClellan will probably depart next week for Kansas City to visit his brother Will.

Joe D. Shaffer, of Springfield, was in the city yesterday assisting in the division of the estate of the late R. L. Perry.

Hon. Wm. Gibson was called to Corro Gordo Wednesday to attend the funeral of a friend. He was in the city last night and heard the lecture.

Justin McCarthy did not reach Decatur until 5:30 last evening. He came all the way from St. Louis in a special coach. He missed the early train.

John Trainer will attend the meeting of teachers of Central Illinois at Danville. He is booked for an address on "System in Rural School Work and Its Results."

Manager Frank Haines left last night for Hurper's Ferry and Charleston, Virginia, to look after some property interests. He intends to return on Tuesday morning. It will be a flying trip.

A. D. Perry, of Syracuse, N. Y., brother of the late R. L. Perry, paid the Republicans a short call last evening. He left for his home to-day. Mr. Perry is the noted field and garden seed man of New York, and does a thriving business.

The prospects are that there will be about three miles or more of street paving completed in Decatur this coming season, and the best of material will be used. Some property owners will object to this class of improvements especially if they are pinched, but the work will go on just the same, as it should, only be careful and get good brick and have them properly put down and pressed in place with a roller. The indications are that West Prairie street will be paved with brick. There are property owners on the street who want the work done, and others who do not.

This afternoon the general committee will ask the county board to donate the fair ground property, 40 acres, in case Decatur gets the state fair.

A New paper.

Decatur has a new paper. It is *The Western Breeder's Gazette*, a well edited journal devoted to poultry and pet stock, dedicated to professional and amateur chicken fanciers. The editors and publishers are W. H. Adria and John W. Lyon, both successful breeders. The *Gazette* is a model poultry journal and should be in the hands of every person who desires to keep fully posted as to the most valuable information about high-bred chicks. The subscription price is 50 cents a year.

HENRY LUNX is having a series of successful meetings at Sargent Chapel. Last night though the weather was bad, the attendance was good. Since commencing the meeting Sunday night there have been fourteen conversions; none well along in years are seekers.

A Promising Attraction.

Miss Florence Bindley, who appears at the opera house Wednesday evening next in Bartley Campbell's "Heroina in Rags," is none other than the famous "Baby Bindley," whose wonderful initiative and musical gifts created such a furore both in Europe and America before she was four years of age. As she has grown in years the talents she so early gave such ample proof of have developed and to-day there are but few artists who can boast of her versatility, while for stage accomplishment she is pre-eminent. Of her the Brooklyn *Times* says: "Gifted by nature with a beautiful face, form and voice, and being the thorough mistress of every known stage accomplishment, vocal, musical, topographical, or otherwise, to vote her anything but success would be impossible. The characterization of 'Heroina' in Rags is a masterpiece. Miss Bindley is the youngest star actress now before the public."

As a toilet article, Ayer's Hair Vigor stands unrivalled. It cleanses the scalp and removes dandruff, cures itching humors, restores original color to faded and gray hair, and promotes its growth.

No other spring medicine has won for itself such universal confidence as Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It is the most powerful combination of vegetable alternatives ever offered to the public, and is acknowledged by the medical profession to be the best blood purifier.

Masonic.

Special communication of Macon Lodge No. 8, A. F. and A. M., this (Friday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. Visiting brethren made welcome.

C. L. HOVEY, W. M.  
T. W. PINKERTON, Sec'y.

CAPT. W. W. LOWMEYER died at his home in Auburn, Ill., yesterday in his forty-fourth year. He came out of the army broken down in health at the end of the war, and has held up with heroic fortitude against his infirmities for more than twenty years. He was postmaster at Auburn until removed by Cleveland last summer. He was one of the chief organizers of the Union Ex-Prisoners of War Association of Illinois. His funeral will occur at Auburn on Sunday afternoon next. He was well known among veteran soldiers in Decatur.

Buy a Haworth Iron Fellow Wagon. Best wagon made. feb9-dit

HON. JUSTIN MCCARTHY.

"The Cause of Ireland" Ably Stated by the M. P. from Derry.

The inclemency of the weather last night prevented a very large attendance of the patrons of the Lecture Course at the opera house to hear the Hon. Justin McCarthy, present member from Derry, Ireland, in the British House of Parliament. Still there was a fair-sized audience present. Irishmen from the city and many from surrounding towns were conspicuous by their presence. The subject was "The Cause of Ireland," a topic of lively interest to every Irishman and lover of freedom and equal rights, and to hear it discussed by so distinguished and scholarly a gentleman was a privilege rarely offered.

After two selections by the Y. M. C. A. orchestra, Mr. A. H. Mills arose and introduced the lecturer as Ireland's illustrious patriot and statesman and America's distinguished guest. He was received very warmly.

Mr. McCarthy is a dignified gentleman of scholarly bearing, is 56 years of age, and is of medium height. His hair is tinged with gray and his beard is full. He appeared in a full dress suit. He is no orator, but he is a forcible speaker, having an excellent command of language, and presented all his thoughts in comprehensive style, using no notes—speaking rapidly, clearly and without apparent effort.

The lecturer held the fixed attention of the audience for one hour and thirty minutes. He gave the definition of "The Cause of Ireland" to be simply Home Rule. That is all there is to it, nothing less, the right of self-government in domestic affairs. This is all we claim. We do not desire to interfere with the English government. Why is Ireland denied this right? If it were addressing an English audience I would put the question in stronger terms. Ireland is singled out to suffer alone. Canada has a separate government, so with Australia and the South Africa colonies. England never interferes with those independent governments—each a perfect system. The English argument is that there is danger in having an island so near home with a separate government; but the people of the Channel Islands and the beautiful Isle of Man manage their own affairs, and England does not interfere. All of these colonies are peaceful, prosperous and loyal. Ireland and her National Parliament went to the beginning of the present century. At the time of its dissolution it was a quarter of a century ahead of the English Parliament in wisdom, but its course did not please King George III. The Parliament, though composed entirely of Protestants, made laws for all the people, five-sixths of whom were Catholics, and they made an effort to emancipate the Catholics. They wanted the Catholics to have representatives in the Irish Parliament. Henry Grattan and Sir John Parrell were the leaders of this movement. King George, who was America's enemy, and thank heaven, he got whipped here, resolved to abolish the Irish Parliament. He sent over a viceroy to do his bidding. His name was Lord Fitz William. He promised to aid the protestants in their efforts to emancipate the Catholics. Fitz William was dragged back to England like a criminal, and he was stripped of office. Then the people became restless, discontented and rebellious. They resisted the King's interference and in the bloody struggle that followed Ireland was overpowered, defeated. America was successful. England justifies America, but Ireland is held in derision, and yet the causes were the same. After the subjection King George sent over a soldier, a certain Lord Cornwallis, not especially distinguished for military genius, a man some way connected with Yorktown in this country. He did not put down George Washington, but he conquered weak Ireland. It was the mission of Cornwallis to use any means whatever to abolish the Irish House of Commons. He was a schemer, and after a time by bribery, corruption and trickery he secured a majority of the king's hirelings in the commons to adopt the measure called the "act of union." The enacting clause was "The Irish national parliament is henceforward extinguished forever." To accomplish this end, Cornwallis used terrorism, money and gifts of peerages to secure votes. He bought "pocket boroughs," and put in the king's own soldiers to go into parliament and vote. The packed chamber voted as was desired, despite the efforts of Grattan and his followers. But, remember two facts in this connection: first, before passing the act, the Irish people were never consulted concerning their views in the matter; second, they have never in any manner by word, assent or silence, ratified the act of union from the day of its adoption to the present moment. The history of Ireland has been a standing protest against the act. Then followed insurrections and constitutional agitation, and various measures were resorted to to get back the privilege of self-government, but all without avail. If there should rise up a young Irishman who had the ability and courage to fight for his native country, the English government would silence him by giving him an office. Scores of men were won over in this way.

In 1874 a new idea struck five Irish members of the British parliament. It was to hold themselves aloof from the Tories and Liberals socially and politically, and to convert parliament into a platform for the public discussion of Ireland's cause—to force the question of Home Rule on every occasion, so that the attention of the people might be aroused, thus securing the interest and sympathy of the freedom-loving people of all nations. Charles Stewart Parnell was the leader. It was a battle of determined Home Rule against 650 opponents. Our enemies thought to crush us by intimidation and crying of "subversionists," but "we didn't care a word a cent." We did not care whether they called our policy one of obstruction, insurrection or destruction. We made them listen to us, and provoked them to talk back. The question of Home Rule for Ireland was kept on one occasion before parliament, from 4:30 one Monday afternoon to the following Thursday evening at 6:30 o'clock, without recess or adjournment, and only one authority was recognized, that of the voice of the Irish people. The House Rulers grew in numbers until when the vote was taken on the second reading of Gladstone's Home Rule measure 311 votes were cast for it, all brought about by the open and determined discussion in parliament. And that vote and the

discussions have sent 87 out of 103 members from the English parliament, all pledged to the support of Parnell.

Ireland is for Home Rule, and so is Scotland and Wales. In England alone was Gladstone defeated—by votes, not by voters. Every man of property in England has more than one vote, according to the number of districts or divisions in which they own land. Some cast as high as 20 votes, but the elections are not held on the same day. They are stretched out through four to six weeks, so the land owner can get around to the ballot boxes and vote. The artisans and peasants of England were the main strength of Gladstone. Unfortunately they did not possess vast property, and therefore they did not have enough votes to overcome the opposition. The struggle was between the privileged and aristocratic class and the unprivileged and artisan class. Votes and not men defeated Gladstone.

In concluding, the speaker declared that no great reform was ever carried by a rush; only by repeated attempts and constant knocking at the door. Home Rule is certain for Ireland. It may not come for two or three years, but it is an event as sure as the rising of to-morrow's sun.

Much of native Irish wit was woven into the lecture, and there were repeated outbursts of applause.

JUDGE HUGHES AT MONTICELLO.

The Willman Ghost Still Haunts the Court and Will Not Down.

The Republican's strolling correspondent writes from Monticello under date of Feb. 17, as follows:

The Piatt county circuit court is now in the second week of the February term, Judge Hughes presiding. The term will conclude this week, although a large number of cases will go over. The grand jury is still in session and has already returned forty bills of indictment. The offenses are mainly of a minor nature. There are a number of violations of the liquor law. A druggist of Corro Gordo was fined \$250 for violating the license law last week.

The grand jury are investigating the lynching of Willman, which occurred here last fall, and have some witnesses here from the adjoining county, whom they are examining. It is the general belief that nothing will be done in the matter, as there is a popular feeling that the lynching, while technically a violation of the law, was a desperate act of prompt justice that was extremely satisfactory.

A case of some importance was tried last week, a suit in garnishment against Daggett, Bassett, Hills & Co., of Chicago. One Bates was involved, and transferred his stock valued at \$5,000, to Capt. Smith, of Champaign, as agent for D. B. H. & Co., for a claim of \$1,200. A day or two after transfer a garnish process was served upon Capt. Smith, as agent, but he continued sale of the goods until they were disposed of and realized \$1,900. The matter coming into court, the judgment of the court was that the D. B. H. & Co. pay all of the judgment, creditors of Bates, the amount being \$2,500. The sale was considered a fraud. Thus the firm of D. B. H. & Co. not only lose their claim but will have to pay a bonus to the other creditors of about \$1,300.

The present case on trial is that of James White et al., vs. Geo. W. Herrick, in which the plaintiff seeks to break a deed to about \$5,000 worth of property. Judge Tipton, of Bloomington, is assisting Sam. Reed and Davidson on the defense. The plaintiff is represented by Mr. Jack, of Peoria.

The Wabash has offered the relatives of James Mobolan and wife, killed by the wild locomotive near Taylorville, \$2,500 in settlement of the case. The company has proof to show that the Engineer Leon Hart did his best to stop the train before striking the aged couple who were trying to cross the track near Taylorville, in a vehicle.

THERE was a double wedding at the Hotel Brunswick on Thursday afternoon. The officiating clergyman was Rev. J. R. Locke. John W. Watson and Miss Emma G. Myer, of Lake City, and Charles Dickson, of Lake City, and Miss Lizzie Watts, of Monticello county, were the contracting parties. A number of friends were in the parlor to witness the marriage.

PHYSICIANS, LAWYERS, and BUSINESS MEN are enthusiastic in their endorsement of Salvation Oil. It cures the worst cases of rheumatism. 25 cents.

She sat on the piano stool with her hands tightly clasped, looking tragic and miserable—she could not sing a note. I gently suggested Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. The next day she was singing and trilling like the first birds in the spring. Sensible girl!

"Dollars and Dimes."

Of this play, which is to be given Monday and Tuesday evenings, the press speaks in high terms of praise. Referring to the characters an exchange says:

Mr. Bowser fully maintains his former reputation as a comedian in the character of Captain Patrick O'Shaughnessy. Mr. Bryen, as Gerald Goodheart, proves himself to be an actor of sterling merit, and Miss Helen Byrles, as his wife, gives abundant evidence that she has lost none of the power and pathos that have established her in public estimation as an actress of the first rank. The "Pennis O'Shaughnessy," of Mr. Thomas Q. Sealbrooke is a consummate comedy performance, never overdone, always cleverly finished, and side by side with it is the excellent acting of Miss Elvira Cox, a southerner, who, if not hitherto heralded as brilliant, is bound to build a fame for herself if she continues to do such work as she does as "Marigold M. May, of Massachusetts." The play is handsomely mounted, and deserves a large patronage.

New Delivery Stable.

H. Stephenson has opened a livery and boarding stable at No. 144 E. Corro Gordo street. Call on him. feb12-d2w

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The Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1 p. m. to-day, received by G. C. Caldwell, Commission Merchant.

WHEAT—74 Feb; 74 1/4 Mar; 74 1/2 Apr; 80 May.

CORN—34 Feb; 34 1/4 Mar; 34 1/2 Apr; 34 3/4 May.

COAL—23 1/2 Feb; 23 1/2 Mar; 23 1/2 Apr; 28 1/2 May.

PORE—\$14.42 Mar; \$14.47 Apr; \$14.57 May.

LARD—\$6.95 March; \$7.00 April; \$7.07 May.

RIBS—\$7.30 March; \$7.35 April; \$7.42 May.

Live Stock—Estimated receipts—Hogs 18,000; strong and shade lighter.

Cattle 7,000; market steady.

Car Lots—Wheat: Winter 12, Spring 7; Corn, 76; Oats, 114.

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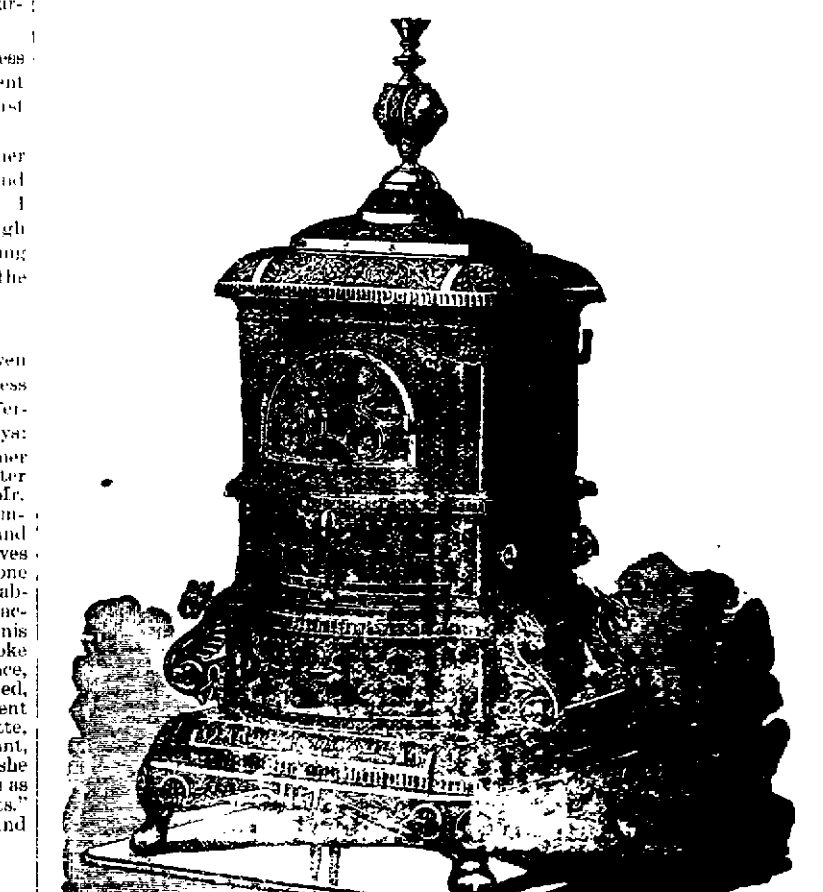
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